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C. M. FUNSTON, Editor.

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ANNOUNCEMENT.

After ten years' labor in the newspaper field in Arizona, the undersigned fourteen months ago concluded to take a rest, sold his newspaper interests, and having taken the much needed relaxation, enters again the journalistic field by resuming the publication of The Coconno Sun.

The publication of a newspaper in Arizona requires, perhaps, more hard work and returns less for labor and capital invested than in any other state in the union. The hope of every editor in the territory is that it will not always be so—that with an increased population and the return of better times, a new era may dawn upon his work.

THE SUN WILL appear in a new form and will contain many new features. It will be of small pages and in magazine form, and while the departure is a radical one for a country weekly, it is believed that THE SUN in its new form will be acceptable to the majority of its readers and patrons.

THE SUN will be devoted to the interests of Coconino county and the territory of Arizona, and the local and territorial news will be carefully gathered and presented in readable form. Politically THE SUN will advocate the principles of the Republican party.

The subscription price of The Scs will be \$2.50 per year, payable strictly in advance. In publishing a weekly newspaper the hearty co-operation of the citizens of Flagstaff and Coconino

County is needed, and their patronage is respectfully solicited.

C. M. FUNSTON.

The clamors of the Democratic press of the territory for what they are pleased to call "home rule" is as amusing as it is ridiculous. Probably the most absurd thing about "home rule" is the assurance by our Democratic contemporaries "that there is no polities in it." There are some develish sly individuals who are strongly advocating the measure.

The outlook for the present year in Coconino county is a bright one. The demand for lumber will keep all our sawmills busy during the entire year. The raise in the value of sheep and cattle will attract attention to our grazing lands and in a few years these industries will again be the leading ones.

It is high time for "Buckey" O'Neill to don his Democratic jeans preparatory to seeking the Democratic nomination for congress.—Phonix Gazette.

Yes; that is the only style of political pantaloons that Buckey hasn't worn threadbare.

Our esteemed contemporary, the Skylight Kicker, has again changed its name, and now appears with the "Flagstaff Gem" as its title. We do not, however, notice any other radical change. What's in a name?

The spring crop of candidates for county offices is unusually large this year. The trouble with the early candidates is that the late frost usually kills them.

Statehood is the kind of home rule that is good enough for anybody.

THE SUN Wants statehood for Arizona.